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HIGHLIGHTS AT SAN MATEO

Seldom, if ever, has the program committee been able to offer such a list of eminent and stimulating speakers for the Annual Meeting of the State Conference as will be heard at San Mateo on October 18-20.

Heading the list will be **Rev. Oscar E. Maurer** of New Haven, Conn., recently elected moderator of the General Council of Congregational and Christian Churches. Dr. Maurer is one of the outstanding preachers of the denomination, and it will be Northern California's opportunity to honor him. He will be heard in two major addresses and in two discussion groups, one of which will be an intimate talk with fellow-pastors.

Congregationalists will be among the first in California to hear the newly-elected Bishop Coadjutor of the California Diocese of the Episcopal Church, — **Rev. Karl M. Block, D.D.**, who comes in the early autumn to assume his duties from a great pastorate in St. Louis. He was a member of the National Mission team. He will be heard at one of the evening sessions.

Ever beloved and inspiring, **President Aurelia Henry Reinhardt of Mills College**, just returned from a summer in Europe, will speak at the banquet on the subject, "The Place of Religion in European Political Conflict."

Professor John C. Bennett, successor in the Chair of Theology at Pacific School of Religion to our own beloved John Wright Buckham, honor student at Union Theological Seminary, at Oxford and other European universities, and regarded as one of the most eminent theologians of our time even though still in his thirties, will be welcomed. His subject will be, "The Meaning of Christianity for the Events of Our Time."

From our sister Conference in the south will come **Rev. A. D. Stauffacher** of Claremont to participate in a discussion program and to speak at the banquet. **Superintendent Edward D. Gaylord** of Los Angeles is scheduled for one of the major addresses of the Conference.

Dr. George Gleason, Executive Secretary of the Committee for Church and Community Cooperation of the County of Los Angeles, will speak on "How Can the Church Prepare Youth for Marriage and Happy Home Life?" and will lead a discussion on "The Christian Home."

Donald A. Adams, Chairman of the Laymen's Fellowship of the Congregational-Christian Churches, who headed the significant laymen's conferences two years ago and who will spend eight days in a similar series of meetings in the latter part of September, will be guest at the Conference, leading a discussion group, speaking at a laymen's luncheon, and addressing one of the evening sessions.

Dr. and Mrs. Leonard Wilbur, our own brilliant and beloved medical missionaries in China, just returned from their difficult field, will be guests. Mrs. Wilbur will speak briefly at the Women's Luncheon, and Dr. Wilbur will give one of the major addresses.

Rev. William Moll Case of Reno will serve as chaplain, speaking on the "First Word of the Cross," and the "Last Word of the Cross." **Rev. George E. Atkinson**, veteran in our ranks, will conduct the communion and memorial service.

The preacher elected a year ago to give the Conference sermon will be **Rev. Charles E. Ward** of Redwood City, who has chosen for his subject "This Bewildering Age."

The fall meeting of the Federation of Congregational Women of Northern California will be merged with the Conference sessions, and the work of the Federation will be presented at a special luncheon on Thursday noon.

Programs and registration cards with quota assignments of delegates will be mailed to the pastors in ample time. Committees of the San Mateo church are hard at work in preparing the physical arrangements.

The Program Committee consists of **Rev. Jason Noble Pierce**, Moderator, **Mrs. Ernest Evans**, **Rev. Sidney H. Buckham**, and **Superintendent Gill**.

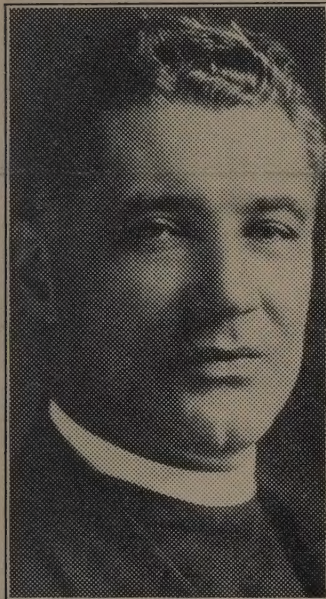


Beautiful Sanctuary in San Mateo Church, where State Conference will be held October 18-20.

More detailed accounts of all four conferences will appear in the special Guest Book edition of The Pacific in October.

ORGAN AVAILABLE

If some church has need of a Kimball reed organ at \$10.00, get in touch with **Rev. Rowland B. Dodge**, 1527 Waverley St., Palo Alto.



Rev. Oscar E. Maurer, Moderator of the General Council and speaker at the San Mateo Conference.

SUMMER CONFERENCES

A total of 433 persons were in attendance at the four young people's conferences this summer. The Zephyr Point conference led with 266, including delegates, faculty, and a few visitors. Lokoya had 85, West Bay 52, and Modoc-Trinity 30. There were two new features in this year's program: first, a group of young adults meeting at Zephyr Point at the time of the regular young people's conference; and second, the brand-new conference of young people of West Bay churches near La Honda. **Fred R. Morrow** was director at Zephyr Point, **E. W. Benedict** at Lokoya, **Sidney Buckham** at La Honda, and **A. W. Monosmith** at Hat Creek. The Modoc-Trinity Camp was devoted to the theme of "The Church," with local pastors acting as faculty members together with **Mrs. John Luther**, **Rev. E. W. Houlding**, and **Rev. Tom Watt**, sent by the Conference Committee on Young People's Work. **Mr. George Michaelides** was our visiting faculty member for all three of the other conferences, and added much to their spirit and effectiveness.

While the attendance at Lokoya was less than a year ago, it was a hand-picked group of young people selected to give serious leadership in the local churches. It was handicapped somewhat because some faculty members who had expected to be present were unable to come. The West Bay Camp was such a success that young people and pastors are planning to double the attendance another year. If there were any doubts as to the effect on registration of moving from Asilomar to Zephyr Point, the opening day was reassuring. The full-time registration was larger than a year ago. The Zephyr Point accommodations do not quite equal those at Asilomar, but the young people in council voted unanimously for a return to Tahoe another year.



Rev. A. D. Stauffacher of Claremont, California, speaker at State Conference meeting.

OUR RADIO DAY

Congregational Day has been designated by the United Radio Productions, Inc., and the Mutual Network as Sunday, September 18. At two o'clock on that day, there will go over the air waves The Hour of Fellowship, and it will be devoted to the Congregational Church. Other Sundays, beginning September 11 at the same hour, will be given the Methodist, Baptist, Roman Catholic, and other denominations. An excellent drama, historically accurate, setting forth the story of the Pilgrims and the Mayflower Compact, will be presented by the Belasco Art Players. **William Farnum** will be the narrator, and **Earl Towner** the conductor of anthems and hymns written by Congregationalists. A beautiful souvenir consisting of a facsimile reproduction of the Mayflower Compact in the handwriting of **William Bradford** on lovely parchment has been prepared, which our churches may have for distribution at little more than actual cost. Let every Congregationalist put the day and hour in his date book, and spread the good word among neighbors and friends.

HONORED

Our own **Rev. Harry A. Shuder**, director of education at San Quentin Prison, was honored on June 6 by his alma mater, **Drury College**, which conferred upon him the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws. **Dr. Shuder** gave the commencement address, and reports that that very fine college in the Ozarks is carrying forward its ministry to the young people of that region and living within its means.

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PRES. SWARTZ RETIRES

After about seventeen years of service with the Pacific School of Religion, President Herman F. Swartz asked the Board of Trustees to release him and his retirement took effect July 31.

The administration of President Swartz has been a notable one. Under his leadership the present beautiful property was acquired, the old property was sold and new buildings erected, including the Holbrook Memorial Library. The Interdenominational Pastoral Conference, which has come to such a place of usefulness and influence, was conceived by President Swartz and has been forwarded through his efforts.

In addition to his work at Pacific School of Religion, both he and Mrs. Swartz have given themselves without stint to every good cause and in an especial degree to the churches of our fellowship. It would take many columns just to enumerate them and no article in The Pacific could adequately express the appreciation and affection in which our people hold President and Mrs. Swartz. It is with satisfaction that we report that after a few months' absence they will return to Berkeley to make their permanent home.

HISTORY OF GERMAN CHURCHES AVAILABLE

An attractive and thoroughgoing history of the German Congregational churches in the United States has been written and published by Rev. George J. Eisenach of Sheboygan, Wisconsin. Mr. Eisenach has done a vast amount of research work and gives a comprehensive history of the German churches, which constitute the largest foreign group in the Congregational fellowship. It is a fascinating story, well told. The price is \$2.50.

REV. CORNELIUS RICHERT

Rev. Cornelius Richert, instructor of German at the Fresno State College, passed away in Fresno on August 15. He was born in Russia 69 years ago, coming to this country at the age of five. He received his Bachelor of Arts and Master's degrees from the University of Nebraska and graduated from the Oberlin Divinity School. He served as minister of Congregational churches in Kansas, Nebraska, Minnesota, and Connecticut before coming to California. Here he was pastor at Orinda, Biola, and of the Zion and Third Churches of Fresno. He leaves a widow, three daughters, and six sons. Services were conducted by Rev. Norman B. Henderson.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September 24-October 2—Laymen's rallies and weekend retreats. (See special column of dates.)
October 18-19-20—Annual meeting, Northern California Congregational Conference, San Mateo.
November 6-11—International Goodwill Congress, San Francisco.

ATTENTION!

In this column appears the first church-by-church report of benevolence giving that has been printed since June. The receipts for the three months of the summer show a serious decline in comparison with those of a year ago. On June 1 we were about \$500 ahead of 1937, and on August 31 about \$800 behind, which shows a loss during the summer of \$1300. This is undoubtedly due to the oversight on the part of many churches in making their remittances, and with careful and prompt attention may be corrected. September should be a great month, for it will complete the first half of the fiscal year. It is earnestly urged that every effort be made so that when reports are made at the annual meeting of the Conference in October, we will have the enthusiasm which comes from making a gain rather than the discouragement which follows the report of a loss. Every remittance, however small, will be of real help.

	June 1 to Aug. 31, 1938	Jan. 1 to Aug. 31, 1938	Jan. 1 to Aug. 31, 1937
Adin	6.96	17.36	28.20
Alameda	30.00	145.90	315.61
Alturas	33.63	33.63	22.71
Angels Camp	32.50	57.50	125.00
Antioch .....	.....	15.00	44.00
Auburn	11.98	71.98	60.00
Benicia .....	.....	5.00	20.00
Berkeley, First	557.92	2,890.29	4,866.30
Kensington .....	.....	10.00	10.00
North	147.99	319.89	257.45
Park	15.85	30.67	35.30
Campbell .....	.....	57.95	115.00
Cloverdale	16.34	34.99	31.00
Cotati	18.93	50.43	40.19
Crockett .....	.....	12.21	10.00
Eureka	124.80	240.33	207.94
Fairfax	10.00	10.00	11.00
Ferndale	77.09	138.39	126.30
Fowler .....	.....	18.00	.....
Fresno	90.00	369.17	440.42
Free Cross .....	.....	10.00	45.00
Pilgrim .....	.....	110.00	10.00
Guerneville .....	.....	3.50	4.50
Hayward .....	.....	50.00	50.00
Kenwood .....	.....	11.61	28.24
Lewiston .....	.....	.....	2.75
Lodi, First	115.00	650.00	580.00
Loomis	21.00	21.00	18.00
Martinez	65.97	148.05	207.50
Murphys .....	.....	60.00	50.00
Niles .....	.....	10.70	5.00
Oakland, First	1,249.98	3,686.82	3,618.28
Fruitvale	12.00	24.00	12.00
Japanese .....	.....	5.00	.....
Pilgrim	3.00	13.50	23.41
Plymouth	194.93	497.65	445.08
Oroville .....	.....	20.00	100.00
Pacific Grove	82.65	186.93	223.35
Palo Alto	300.00	1,100.00	950.00
Paradise .....	.....	30.00	92.79
Pennings	9.61	11.11	.....
Pescadero .....	.....	5.00	.....
Petaluma	74.81	270.79	364.79
Pittsburg	33.57	81.29	69.91
Port Chicago .....	.....	.....	2.00
Porterville .....	.....	100.00	75.00
Redwood City .....	.....	153.50	360.00
Rio Vista	30.00	60.00	.....
Ripon	40.62	83.94	65.34
Sacramento	10.00	236.33	260.68
San Carlos	5.00	59.90	18.23
San Francisco:			
Bethany Msn. Park	61.50	206.83	134.92
First	408.34	945.27	839.16
Ocean View	5.00	15.00	35.00
Richmond	76.00	85.00	16.00
San Jose	142.00	402.00	365.00
San Leandro	22.93	37.51	51.58
San Mateo .....	.....	87.50	60.00
San Rafael .....	.....	.....	24.00
Santa Cruz	163.00	435.00	325.00
Santa Rosa	48.50	114.14	105.49
Saratoga	109.11	222.97	207.51
Sebastopol	37.29	113.97	113.08
Sonoma	45.25	82.51	33.34
Soquel	22.00	52.00	29.50
Stockton	151.89	332.11	290.20
Suisun .....	.....	37.00	35.45
Tulare	75.00	185.00	165.00
Weaverville	35.45	77.30	63.66
Woodside .....	.....	20.00	.....
Reno, Nevada	201.50	271.32	292.03
Miscellaneous	51.50	1,264.90*	394.73
	\$4,988.39	\$17,206.46	\$18,048.92

*Includes Special Deficit gifts which will be credited to the churches at the end of the year.

A group of ministers and their wives had the opportunity of entertaining Rev. and Mrs. Douglas Horton for lunch on September 7. Dr. Horton, recently elected secretary of the General Council, is en route to the Madras meeting in India.

LAYMEN MEET

Laymen's institutes and weekend retreats will form a major part of the program of our churches during the early autumn. Donald A. Adams, head of the Laymen's Fellowship of our Congregational churches in the United States, and formerly president of Rotary International, is to be with us from September 24 to October 2.

During the two weekends that Mr. Adams will be with us two retreats will be conducted, one at Lodi and the other at Tulare. The plan is that the churches in nearby communities will each elect and send three delegates and that sufficient time will be given, namely, from three o'clock on Saturday afternoon to one o'clock Sunday noon, really to discuss the problems of the church. With Mr. Adams will be associated Mr. Robert E. Stone, professor in the Law Department of the University of California and active layman of the First Congregational Church of Oakland, Field Secretary Sherman, and Superintendent Gill. Fundamental questions will be set forth in brief form, but at least three-fourths of the time will be reserved for questions and discussion.

While it is unfortunate that we cannot keep Mr. Adams for enough weekends to cover the entire Conference with retreats, splendid opportunities are being arranged in other localities. At Oroville, Santa Rosa, Pittsburg, and Saratoga, laymen of nearby churches, without limitation as to number, are invited to come together. From 4:30 to 6:30 there will be discussion groups led by Mr. Adams, Mr. Sherman, and Mr. Gill. At 6:30, following a 50c dinner, Mr. Adams will be given the full time for his address and for the answering of questions.

Below in this column is given the complete schedule, with dates, hours, and churches invited to participate and also announcement of the special meeting for the laymen of the Bay district, when Mr. Adams will speak.

Nearly 500 men attended the laymen's institutes two years ago and again last year, and by overwhelming vote asked that such opportunities be given another year. It is strongly believed that the setup for 1938 will accomplish far more than we have hitherto been able to carry out.

September 24-25—From 3 P.M. Saturday to 1 P.M. Sunday: Laymen's Week End Retreat at Hotel Lodi, Lodi, for elected laymen from Auburn, Loomis, Grass Valley, Sacramento, Rio Vista, Lodi, Stockton, Murphy, Angels Camp, Salida and Ripon.

September 26—Laymen's Rally at Oroville for laymen from Paradise and Oroville.*

September 27—Laymen's Rally at Santa Rosa for laymen from Santa Rosa, Cloverdale, Sebastopol, Petaluma, Cotati, Penngrove, Sonoma, Kenwood and Glen Ellen.

September 28—Laymen's Rally at Pittsburg for laymen from Pittsburg, Antioch, Port Chicago, Martinez, Benicia, Crockett.

September 29 (at Hotel Whitecotton, Berkeley)—Dinner under the auspices of Bay Congregational Laymen's Association for laymen of the Bay Association.

September 30—Laymen's Rally at Saratoga for laymen from Saratoga, Campbell, San Jose, Soquel, Santa Cruz, Palo Alto, Sunnyvale, Woodside, San Carlos, Redwood City, San Mateo.

October 1 and 2—From 3 P.M. on Saturday to 1 P.M. on Sunday: Laymen's Week End Retreat for elected laymen from churches in Fresno, Fowler, Parlier, Reedley, Tulare, Porterville, Biola, Sanger, Dinuba.

Pilgrim Fellowship Officers

New officers of the Pilgrim Fellowship of Northern California were elected at the Zephyr Point Conference: Vernice Chamberlain of Oakland First Church is the new president, Roy Fogel of Oakland Plymouth Church is vice-president, and Alfred Focht of Cotati is secretary-treasurer. During the past year the Fellowship has been greatly strengthened through the work of the officers, Garver Jensen, President; Alice Eggleston, Vice-President, and Juanita Murdock, Secretary-Treasurer. An outstanding feature of the year's work was the sending of three young people to the Rockford Conference—Alice Eggleston, Torrance Jones, and Bruce Morris, all of whom brought significant contributions to our State young people's work, and have furnished splendid leadership in the summer conferences.

BAY LAYMEN GATHER

The Bay Congregational Laymen's Association will meet September 29 at the Whitecotton Hotel in Berkeley. A seventy-five cent dinner will be served at 6:30. Mr. Donald A. Adams, chairman of the National Laymen's Fellowship, will give a short address which will be followed by a panel discussion on "How Shall We Raise the Church Budget?" In addition to Mr. Adams, the panel consists of Mr. Ralph T. Fisher, Vice-President of the American Trust Company and member of the First Congregational Church of Oakland; Mr. Charles W. Brock of Thomas Magee & Sons, San Francisco, and member of First Congregational Church, Berkeley; Mr. A. R. Groenink, Scout Executive of Alameda and member of the Congregational Church there; Field Secretary Edwin T. Sherman of the Northern California Congregational Conference. Opportunity will be offered for general discussion. Mr. C. T. Tinker will preside.

TEMPLE OF RELIGION

The Temple of Religion and Tower of Peace at the Golden Gate International Exposition is now assured. An appropriation of \$100,000 was made by the Exposition Company, and ground breaking ceremonies took place on August 23. Rabbi Rudolph I. Coffee, chairman of the Committee of One Hundred, presided. The mayors of San Francisco and Oakland, together with Governor Merriam, gave addresses.

A special corporation, representing the various religious faiths, has been set up, and exhibit and program committees are hard at work. It is planned that nothing in connection with the building or its program will be of a sectarian nature. Protestants and Jews are heartily cooperating, with other groups lending some interest and support. It will be necessary for Protestant forces to secure something like \$9,000 in gifts to carry our share of the program and maintenance. Congregationalists will gladly want to do their part and thus bring home to the hundreds of thousands of visitors the importance of religion to people in this troubled world.

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MINISTERS AND CHURCHES ON THE JOB

ANTIOCH. The Congregational and Methodist churches held union services during July and August, the pastor of the Methodist church preaching one month and Rev. W. R. Steininger of the Congregational church the other month. Eight young people, including two young adults, attended the conference at Zephyr Point and seven other young people attended Lokoya conference. Mr. Steininger was on the faculty at Zephyr Point and was chaplain at Lokoya. During his attendance at the General Council earlier in the summer, Rev. Henry Stauffer, former pastor, preached one Sunday and with Mrs. Stauffer was honored by a potluck lunch after the service.

SAN FRANCISCO, GRACE UNITED. A much-needed program of improvement has been carried through, including painting of the building and repairing of windows, at a cost of \$2,000, the whole of which has been provided. Friends of Rev. and Mrs. D. W. Throckmorton will be glad to know that Mrs. Throckmorton is steadily improving following a rather serious illness.

SACRAMENTO, PIONEER. Dean Harry E. Tyler of the Sacramento Junior College gave a series of four sermons during the summer on "Religion and Modern Education": "Religion in the Home," "Religion in the Economic Order," and "Religion and Politics." After returning from the General Council, Rev. Lawrence Wilson, the pastor, spent a brief vacation in the South.

PORT CHICAGO. Mr. and Mrs. John Luther, who have been in charge of the work for the past year, have gone to Santa Barbara, where they will be in extension work under the Episcopal Church. Robert Cleland, senior student at the Pacific School of Religion and son of Rev. and Mrs. Gail Cleland of Alameda, has been called as pastor and began work on September 1.

OAKLAND, PLYMOUTH. The resignation of Mrs. Dorothy Bennett, director of religious education and young people's work, was regretfully received by the council of the church. She has been asked to continue if possible until the end of the year. Eleven young people were in attendance at Zephyr Point. Rev. T. T. Giffen is the pastor.

SOQUEL. The church piano is nearly paid for, and next on the program will be hymn books. Rev. Jessie G. Heath, the pastor, and her husband were delighted to have all of their children together for the first time in five years. The little parsonage was full to overflowing, but it was a delightful gathering.

SAN FRANCISCO, OCEAN VIEW. Rev. Stewart E. Locke, who is serving as pastor, continues to push a house-to-house canvass of the district and as a result new people who are interested in the church are being discovered.

OAKLAND, BETHANY ARMENIAN. This church now has a Men's Brotherhood with thirty charter members. Monthly social and educational programs are held. Rev. V. H. Yessayan is the pastor.

EUREKA. Rev. Charles H. Hudson, pastor, exchanged pulpits with Rev. C. H. Baldwin of Pasadena for a few weeks of vacation.

FRESNO, PILGRIM. During the early summer the International Institute of Fresno gave a public dinner in honor of three citizens of foreign birth who have rendered distinguished service in science, education, commerce, industry, the arts, or civic life. One of those thus honored was Rev. M. G. Papazian.

The social hall of the church has undergone important alterations and improvements. The cost of more than \$3000, in addition to donated labor, was raised entirely within the membership and without high pressure. A church family gathering of 300 met to celebrate the completion and to engage in simple dedication ceremonies.

OAKLAND, FIRST. A large class of new members was received the first Sunday in June. Three students at the Pacific School of Religion have been added to the staff of the church for the coming year. This church furnished the president of the Pilgrim Fellowship a year ago, and also furnishes the president for the new year. Rev. Clarence Reidenbach, the pastor, was chaplain at the Zephyr Point conference.

AMBROSE. This church, which has had a stormy existence almost from the time of its birth, has finally closed its affairs, selling the property to representatives of the Mission Covenant Church for enough to pay the Building Society mortgages and several hundred dollars of local bills. It is hoped that a number of the members will find fellowship in our Pittsburg church.

SAN FRANCISCO, CONGREGATIONAL METHODIST TEMPLE. Rev. Jason Noble Pierce and Rev. Edgar A. Lowther have changed off during the summer, giving one another a vacation. Rev. Torrance Phelps of Pasadena preached two Sundays. Dr. and Mrs. Leonard Wilbur, recently returned from China, were pulpit guests one Sunday in August.

SEBASTOPOL. Following the fortieth anniversary of his ordination, Rev. George E. Atkinson was given a six weeks' vacation, part of which was spent at sea. The Women's Club has cared for the renovation of the church parlors and Sunday School rooms with rugs, paint, and varnish. The county Christian Endeavor Union will be entertained by this church.

BERKELEY, ARLINGTON AVENUE. Vacation time was utilized in redecoration of the Fellowship House and repairs of equipment. The Sunday School opened its fall season with a 25 per cent increase over that of a year ago. Mr. Roland C. M. Fiske is director.

FAIRFAX. Improvements and decoration of the church were carried forward during vacation. Fifteen young people were in attendance at Lokoya. The pastor, Rev. C. L. Mears, spent a day at San Quentin, holding twenty interviews.

SAN FRANCISCO, CALVARY ARMENIAN. On Sunday, September 11, the pastor, Rev. H. K. Kachadourian, will exchange pulpits with Rev. M. G. Papazian of Fresno.

PARLIER. The Ladies' Auxiliary has purchased an old church building, which will be moved to the side of the church and used as a hall. Rev. M. M. Aijian is pastor.

PALO ALTO. Rev. W. B. Thorp spent his vacation in motoring through the Sierras and Southern California. The church reopened after his return and heard with deep feeling four beloved singers, now widely scattered. The pastor's birthday, which occurred early in the year, was remembered by the men of the church with a subscription for a book each month. Dr. Thorp personally solicited for the Debt of Honor Campaign and received a total of \$1200. His sermons are occasionally mimeographed and will be gladly sent to any who desire to be placed on the mailing list.

PORTERVILLE. Accurate record of attendance covering the three years of the pastorate of Rev. John H. Gregg shows a decided increase. In 1937-8 more than 8000 were in attendance, an average of 171 per service. A series of sermons on "Finding God" are opening the fall program. "God Through Nature," "Worship," "Community," "Jesus," "Science," "The Bible," and "The Church" will be discussed on successive Sundays.

PARADISE. This church is exceedingly happy in the coming of Rev. W. H. L. Marshall, the new pastor, who began his work on Sunday, August 7. Mr. Marshall has been pastor for many years of the First Congregational Church at Everett, Washington. He has been active in the Washington fellowship, serving as chairman of the board of directors and of the appropriations committee.

BERKELEY, PARK. Under the direction of Rev. Tom Watt, pastor, the young people have begun a systematic study of the needs of the church, including new material, church attendance, and financial support. The money for a new heating plant is now assured. Beginning with October, Rev. Ernest W. Houlding will serve as Sunday School superintendent.

SAN JOSE. President Herman F. Swartz supplied the church until the middle of July, since which time it has been closed, undergoing radical alterations. A club room for college young people is being provided, the axis of the auditorium is being changed, and much redecorating will follow.

SONOMA. Rev. Edward W. Perry and his family returned from vacation, part of which was at the Young People's Camp at Lokoya. Services are being resumed in September. Improvements in the plant are planned for the fall.

SAN LEANDRO, BROADMOOR. A play, given on two evenings by the young people, helped to finance expenses of delegates to Zephyr Point. Ten young people were in attendance, all but two of them active in church work. Rev. J. H. McCartney is pastor.

ADIN. After years of planning and effort this community now has electricity. The pastor, Rev. A. W. Monosmith, has been a community leader in the enterprise. On July 30 a dinner and program celebrating the completion of the project was held.

REDWOOD CITY. During July the church and Sunday School were continued with Dr. R. J. Currie, a former pastor, and various laymen conducting services, with good attendances. Rev. C. E. Ward, the pastor, reports a successful West Bay Y. P. Camp.

CALAVERAS COUNTY. For three days in July this field was visited by Rev. Fred Field Goodsell, Executive Vice-President of the American Board. Dr. Goodsell lived in Murphy as a boy when his father was pastor there. Services were held at Angels Camp, Sheep Ranch, and Murphy.

Four boys from Murphy and two girls from Angels Camp went to the Zephyr Point conference. Rev. John G. Dickey, the pastor, and Mrs. Dickey spent their vacation with their son, Rev. Paul Dickey of Oregon, in the mountains and on a trip to Southern California.

TRINITY COUNTY. Seven young people were in attendance at Zephyr Point and twelve at the Trinity-Modoc Camp. The Lewiston church is being repaired through the efforts of the people in the community. The Weaverville church building is to have a new roof and other repairs. A Flamo stove and hot water heater have been installed in the parish house. Rev. J. D. Salmon, the pastor, has been entertaining his father, mother, and sister from Buffalo, N. Y., during vacation.

COTATI. Young people of this church attended both Lokoya and Zephyr Point. One young person was elected secretary of Lokoya, and another secretary-treasurer of the state Pilgrim Fellowship. The Ladies' Aid Society held a flower show in August which drew entries and visitors from many points in Sonoma County. Rev. C. C. Champlin is pastor.

PENNGROVE. A new Sunday School superintendent is responsible for doubling the attendance. Through the efforts of the Ladies' Aid Society the floors of the church have been painted. Rev. Charles C. Champlin, the pastor, now resides in his ranch home, ten miles from the church. A large number of the young people attended one or another of the summer conferences.

ALAMEDA. Twenty-two young people attended the Zephyr Point conference, under the leadership of Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Graves. The pastor, Rev. Gail Cleland, served as division chaplain at Camp Qrd with the reserve officers of the 91st Division. During his absence his son, Robert Cleland, supplied the pulpit.

SAN CARLOS. Rev. Alden Read has been trying the experiment of holding service of worship at nine o'clock on Sunday morning. There is some sentiment for continuing service at that hour throughout the year.

Rev. H. J. Loken, our pastor in Auburn, has written a serial story which appears in "The Classmate," a church paper for young people published in Cleveland. It is entitled "Great Medicine," and commemorates the discovery of the Kensington Stone in 1898. This stone is a slab of granite raised by Vikings over the grave of one of their number. It tells of a missionary expedition more than a hundred years before the landing of Columbus.



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The Executive Meeting of the Federation is held the third Thursday of each month at 10:15 a. m., in the First Congregational Church, Oakland, unless otherwise stated.

AUGUST MEETING REFLECTS ACTIVITIES

There was a large attendance at our first after-vacation Federation meeting on August 18. The opening devotional struck the keynote of our year's work: "Stewardship,"—of our bodies, our minds, our wills, our material possessions, our talents. The consecration service which ended the day's meeting followed the same high thought, closing with the beautiful response adapted from St. Theresa: "Christ has no body now on earth but mine, no hands but mine, no feet but mine; mine are the eyes through which is to look out Christ's compassion to the world, mine are the feet with which He is to go about doing good, and mine are the hands with which He is to bless others now."

As we left the meeting, one of our lay women who is always present said to your correspondent: "Tell all the church women how fine these meetings are. Tell them what they are missing and urge them to come. Put it in *The Pacific*."

And so, all of us who attend invite all of you who do not attend to come and share with us in the inspiration and education and fellowship of this once-a-month Federation Meeting, but is called an Executive Meeting, but ALL are welcome and desired.

Reports of our Young People's Conferences at Zephyr Point and Lokoya were heart-warming. Interesting accounts of the General Council held at Beloit, Wis., June 15-22, included the report of the Women's Meeting on Saturday afternoon, June 18, presided over by Mrs. Bryan Brown of Southern California. Three women spoke on different phases of our work, each followed by enthusiastic open discussion: (1) The importance of deepening our personal devotional life; (2) the importance of working the younger women into the church program and especially into women's work; (3) the importance, relative to our budgets, of good planning and "the right kind" of money raising. Two tests should be applied to all methods: (1) are the results obtained commensurate with the time and energy expended; (2) is the method used in raising money consistent with the high ethical standard which should obtain in our churches? Direct giving by membership fees or pledges, and the raising of money through activities such as suppers and sales, were both thought valuable; and a combination seems to be what most churches need as yet. There was unanimous agreement that all means of raising money through "the something for nothing" idea should be discouraged, and that gambling in any form has no place in our churches. We should keep our standards of money-making in harmony with the highest ideals of the church. All women's groups should have definite budgets for both money and programs.

The end of the year is coming on apace. Of the 66 Social Welfare quotas assigned, 27 have been completed and several others partially filled. There are still some blankets, spreads, and comforters not accepted. Can any group take additional assignments? If so, please get in touch with Mrs. B. P. Martin, 2141 Rose St., Berkeley.

Our Home Missionary work for young people goes on all the year round. We maintain eight high schools and five colleges for Negroes with 3500 promising young people in attendance. Anything done to raise the status of the Negro helps our whole country. See the July Missionary Herald for picture sketches of Tillotson, our co-educational Negro college in Austin, Texas, under the very able leadership of President Mary Branch whose visit to the Coast many of us remember. Another shipment of books to Tillotson library will be sent from Berkeley soon. Anyone who desires to send books may bring them to the September Federation meeting.

At our Federation meeting a letter was read from Rev. Dillon W. Throckmorton, expressing his grateful appreciation of our last year's Thank Offering gift of \$250 to the Children's Project of Grace United Church, which is located in the San Francisco Mission District not far from the center of greatest juvenile delinquency. Week Day Church School was carried on through last school year, with 83 children enrolled and eight teachers. A part-time worker directed boys' classes and club activities. Thirty-six boys and girls have spent a week at summer camp under Christian leadership. All but 4 or 5 were helped financially by the Children's Project.

The Council for Social Action will send out an economic plebiscite questionnaire in November for which preparatory study should be made by the churches. The W.P.A. says permanent unemployment will be 4,000,000. We are paying \$15,000,000,000 a year to meet the crime situation. It would help much if liquor were kept from the American youth.

Our October Federation meeting will be a part of the Annual Conference at San Mateo, October 18-20. Thursday, the 20th, is our special day, but we shall meet with the Conference except for our separate luncheon with a short program and collection.

What can we do to encourage responsibility toward our benevolences? "Where there is no outlet, there is no life." Let us remember the extra dollar per church member for benevolences this year, which is the solution for our Plan of Advance.

LOCAL CHURCH PLANS

The Woman's Auxiliary of Berkeley North Church followed its usual summer program of picnic-meetings in Live Oak Park in June and July. Attendance was large and many visitors were welcomed. Meetings were quite informal, with business kept at a minimum. Program consisted of travel talks by members. The young women of Circle No. 4 have met regularly and have planned a study class to be inaugurated in September; the other three circles also met regularly all summer. After visiting our Chinese Church in Berkeley and consulting with Pastor Yee, the Auxiliary women raised a special sum by personal gifts, to be used for greatly needed plumbing repairs in the Chinese church building.

The San Francisco Calvary Church Ladies' Aid, with about 30 members, meets twice a month—once for prayer

REPEAL PROMISES VIOLATED

"1. 'Repeal will check the crime wave.' As early as 1935, which was the first full year under repeal, Sanford Bates, director of Federal prisons, stated that Federal prison population had increased 25 per cent during that year, which was an all-time high record.

"2. 'Repeal will eliminate the bootlegger.' Joseph Choate, the first Federal alcohol administrator, and a repeal advocate, stated in a press interview that under repeal the number of 'bootleggers' had more than doubled.

"3. 'Under repeal the saloon shall never, never return in any guise, at any time, or in any place.' But the saloon has returned in every guise, at every time, and in every place. It has returned in the guise of a restaurant, a filling station, a sandwich shop, a drugstore, a grocery, a tavern, or a dance hall.

"4. 'Under repeal, we must and will rightly and morally protect dry territory.' The Federal government has repealed its laws prohibiting the importation of intoxicants into dry terri-

tory. Much worse, it sells Federal tax receipts (which in effect are Federal licenses) which protect 'bootleggers,' 'moonshiners,' and rum runners from Federal enforcement officers.

"5. 'Repeal will promote the cause of temperance.' The Northwestern National Life Insurance Company found, from its records, that among applicants under the age of thirty, who had formed their habits under repeal, the ratio of rejections for alcoholism vaulted to the astounding record of 183 per cent.

"6. 'Repeal will put a million and a half men at work, and their increased buying power will employ other millions, and solve the unemployment problem.' Official figures reveal that the total number of wage earners employed by the distilleries, wineries, and breweries during the last year of record was 49,656, instead of 1,500,000. The first year of repeal caused the nonalcoholic beverage industry to discharge one-third of their wage earners, and the manufacturers of soda fountain fixtures discharged 70 per cent of their workers."

THE MCKINLEYS SAFE HOME

A note of greeting has reached the Conference office from Rev. James F. McKinley, who visited California last spring en route to his field of labor in the Philippine Islands. Mrs. McKinley was one of the speakers at the spring meeting of the Federation. Mr. McKinley reports that they had a pleasant trip and are now at work at the College of Theology, Silliman University.

MISS COXHEAD VISITS CENTRAL AMERICA

Miss Mary Coxhead, director of community service of Plymouth Church, Oakland, and former missionary in Modoc County, spent her vacation in a trip to Central America, going first from New Orleans to Guatemala by steamer and then by airplane from Guatemala to Mexico City, returning to California by train.

ATTENTION!

The October issue of *The Pacific* will be our annual Guest Book Edition, and devoted almost entirely to the missionary work of the Conference and the National Boards. There will be little space for church news. Correspondents and pastors should not feel disappointed if their items do not appear.

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